

## CLAIMS

1. A method for remote inter-language method calling comprising:  
issuing a method call using a first protocol;  
5 translating said method call from said first protocol to an intermediary protocol;  
and  
translating said method call from said intermediary protocol to a second protocol.

10 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said first step of translating comprises:  
calling a proxy object.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein said first protocol is selected from the  
group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.

15 4. The method of claim 1 wherein said intermediary protocol is \*Connect.

5. The method of claim 1 wherein said second protocol is selected from the  
group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.

20 6. A remote inter-language method calling system comprising:  
a method calling unit configured to issue a method call using a first protocol;  
a first translator configured to translate said method call from said first protocol to  
an intermediary protocol; and  
a second translator configured to translate said method call from said intermediary  
25 protocol to a second protocol.

7. The remote inter-language method calling system of claim 6 wherein said first translator comprises:

a proxy object.

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8. The remote inter-language method calling system of claim 6 wherein said first protocol is selected from the group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.

9. The remote inter-language method calling system of claim 6 wherein said intermediary protocol is \*Connect.

10. The remote inter-language method calling system of claim 6 wherein said second protocol is selected from the group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.

11. A computer program product comprising:  
a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein configured for remote inter-language method calling, comprising:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to issue a method call using a first protocol;

20 computer readable code configured to cause a computer to translate said method call from said first protocol to an intermediary protocol; and

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to translate said method call from said intermediary protocol to a second protocol.

12. The computer program product of claim 6 wherein said computer readable code configured to cause a computer to translate said method call from said first protocol comprises:

computer readable code configured to cause a computer to call a proxy object.

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13. The computer program product of claim 6 wherein said first protocol is selected from the group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.

10 14. The computer program product of claim 6 wherein said intermediary protocol is \*Connect.

15. The computer program product of claim 6 wherein said second protocol is selected from the group of Java, XPCOM and UNO.